small diesel based capacities are sought to be set up and where use of other fuels is not feasible. The necessary guidelines regarding these modifications in the policy have been communicated to the concerned State Governments. The State Governments of Andhra Prades and Rajasthan have sent their recommendations in pursuance of the modified policy.

Agreement between NTPC and CIL

4680. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether NIPC and CIL have signed an agreement;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) the efficiency likely to be improved by NTPC thereafter?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI R. KUMARA MANGALAM): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However a long-term coal supply agreement is under finalisation between National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) and Coal India Limited (CIL). The salient features of the proposed agreement include:—

(1) Quantity of coal supplied to be commensurate with actual requirement; and

(2) Explicit provisions for weighment, joint sampling and quality control.

(c) NTPC is likely to achieve higher levels of generation as well as improvement in the Plant Load Factor in case coal supplies are made strictly in accordance with the proposed coal supply agreement.

External Loans to Power Finance Corporation

4681. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Power Finance Corporation has successfully raised $100 million loan, the first major external commercial loan, following Nuclear tests, despite sanctions being imposed by G-8 countries; and

(b) if so, how for the impact of the sanctions was experienced in raising the External loan?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI R. KUMARA MANGALAM): (a) Yes, Sir. The loan agreement for US$ 100 Million syndicated loan facility has been signed on 7th July, 1998.

(b) The sanctions were imposed while the syndication for the loan was in progress. Inspite of this, syndication was successfully closed at the original price and other terms & conditions agreed with the Lead Arranger.

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4682. **श्री मनोहर कान्त ध्यानी:** क्या विद्युत मंत्री 3 जून, 1998 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न 837 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) 1997 के मूल्य स्तर पर आधारित 4570 करोड़ रुपये की राशि की तुलना में अब तक कितनी राशि खर्च की गई है; और

(ख) इस राशि में से पुनर्वास पर कितने प्रतिशत राशि खर्च की गई?

विद्युत मंत्री (श्री रंगराजन कुमारमंगलम): (क) और (ख) टिहरी पम्प स्टोरेज परियोजना और जल विद्युत परियोजना और कोटेश्वर बांध के अनिवार्य एवं वचनबद्ध कार्यों सहित टिहरी बांध और जल विद्युत परियोजना (1000 मे०वा०) की 4570 करोड़ रुपये की संशोधित लागत अनुमानों की तुलना में अब तक मार्च, 1998 तक 1642.45 करोड़ रुपये की राशि व्यय की जा चुकी है।

1642.45 करोड़ रु० के व्यय में से पुनर्वास और पुनर्स्थापना पर उपगत व्यय का प्रतिशत लगभग 25% बैठता है।